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DEATH.

At Hongkong, on the 30th inst., FLORINDA MARIA, daughter of Isidoro and Florida Leon, aged two years and two months.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 1891.

THE longer we live the more we learn and if we could only live long enough and the *China Mail* continues to drag along its tottering lily-of-fascination, if uneventful existence, the day may yet come when sapient SOLOMON in all his pristine glory will be a very bad third in the race for the Wisdom laurel wreath to the Editor and his 'one-reader.' It is really one of the greatest of surprising wonders how a single head, and such a head ye gods!—can contain the marvellous amount of information on all subjects living or dead, which in choice and happy phrase and epithet is to be found in nightly instalments, sparkling like dewdrops on a lion's mane and illuminating the columns of that too utterly awful representative of Hongkong journalism. This original, who in his own remarkable person combines at least a fair sprinkling of the traditional qualities of various ancient and modern celebrities—to wit, the worldly sanctimoniousness of that pillar of truth, the Rev. THOMAS SNUFFLE; the elastic political principles and 'great mon' worship and toadyism of the stiff-necked but supple-backed and accommodating Sir PERTINAX MAC-SPOTTWORTH; the well washed and carefully starched self-sufficiency of that most admirable type of arch-humbug, Mr. PECKSNIFF; and the extreme veracity and vivid colouring of the imaginative Baron MUNCHHAUSEN;—spurns the bald-headed intention of hiding his light under a bushel, and strives might and main, albeit in a rather halting and superficial way, to construct a new world of proselytes by liberally diffusing pearls of wisdom and chunks of worldly information amongst a limited collection of the benighted inhabitants of this out-of-the-way but comfortable and remunerative refuge for officials too dazzlingly brilliant to be retained at home, and haven of rest for the lowly and lamb-like beach-comber. This organiser of a new crusade, even with all his talent and foresight, has possibly just failed to quite realize the situation; his Titanic intellect, missing the most pressing needs of a community in dire distress, and overburdened with the hidden difficulties of a problem which, he has told us, has greatly exercised many powerful minds in the brilliant and select circles of rank and fashion for which the colony of Hongkong has ever stood pre-eminent in Britain's Colonial Empire, may even have ventured beyond its natural capacity in daring emulation of JULIUS CAESAR (or some other defunct prodigy whose great ambition was to be able to say "Alone I did it"); however in missing the substance he had better luck with the shadow and has at least achieved something. As a Jubilee poet play-actor who lived unhonoured and unsung, but who was spared the indignity of being made a Companion of St. Mickey and Goxox of that ilk, tritely remarks

No man quality is so well worth it. It was worth it, and then some day it will be. And so we must even be thankful for small mercies and will end this prologue by singing that touching hymn "Oh! let us be joyful!" Now for the play! so 'hats off.' As a final contribution to the Jubilee rejoicings it is intended to hold a Fancy Dress Ball at Government House on Tuesday next, and of this fact we were accidentally reminded this morning by having a visit paid us by a representative from the leading local 'fashion emporium' who kindly invited us to come and see the goodly show of raiment of this and other ages, the dresses of kings and courtiers, etc., which had been specially manufactured for the occasion. Then it came upon us with the force of a run-away avalanche and on looking up the Court Journal, alias the *China Mail*, we found the Editor thereof had already announced to the fashionable world, with due solemnity and becoming regret, "that many powerful minds are greatly exercised as to the dress which may be worn on this State occasion." We would stop to shed a tear at this stage in sympathy with the proprietors of the "powerful minds" but that little ceremony has not been provided for in the acting edition of this latest comedy and therefore it has necessarily to be omitted. And now "the Archimedeon lever" comes to the rescue with a grand rush and wins on the

post by a head—and a pair of long ears. "It may be interesting to know," he says with patronising urbanity, "that Court dress may be worn by any gentleman, whether he has been presented at Home or not." Let us take a deep breath after this soul-stirring disclosure, and offer up a special thanksgiving, that there is still something in this dreary world worth living for, something glorious to hanker after. Only picture it ye high-toned and sweetly scented masher! By the gracious condescension of the Editor of the *China Mail* you will now be permitted to 'fret your weary head' at the Government House' terpsichorean extravaganza arrayed in Court dress, whether you have been presented at Home or not; free of any extra charge you may display your shanks in silk stockings—what rapture!—and ape nobility in an embroidered coat and the richly-gilded sword of ancient chivalry. You may also carry a three-cornered hat under your left arm, in that elegant style which you will see illustrated in the latest fashion plates at the select tailoring establishments of the town. For one night only, whether you are but a quill-driver in a Government office, bank, or mercantile firm, an assistant in the "rag" or tea business at a leading hong or store, a nomadic broker or wild-cat company promoter—in fact no matter what you are professionally or otherwise you are at perfect liberty to imagine yourself a grandee of the 'first chop,' and wear Court dress—by kind permission of the *Snail* man.

There is something more; our fashionable colleague has made another startling discovery. Those of the *élite* who may lack the courage requisite to face the music and possible ridicule of unfeeling scoffers in a Court suit, have been carefully provided for. The oracle again speaks:—"Another modification for men—not gentlemen this journey, kindly observe—will likewise be acceptable by many searchers after dress, viz: the Marlborough House dress and facings. This consists of a dress coat with facings and cuffs, white or flowered waistcoat, knee-breeches (of the same cloth as the coat), black silk stockings, shoes and buckles." There now, gallants of Hongkong! What think ye of all that finery? It is neat and becoming, the Society Editor says, and specially suitable to the present conditions of the colony. And you can wear it all at one time, no matter whether you have been "presented" at Marlborough House or not. Probably you have not been honored so far by gracious Royalty, but it will answer exactly the same purpose if you can only imagine that you have 'bent the knee,' and nobody will be hurt or any the wiser. And when the curtain drops on the glittering scene and the Jubilee revelries, the gilded halls, the fair women and especially the brave men in Court dresses and Marlborough House suits, have given place to the everyday shoddy, we all know so well, some permanent memorial should be publicly erected to the benefactor of his species who deserves so well of the *junior* *doris* he has so nobly rescued from oblivion. A mud statue of "Brownie" in a court suit with the motto "*Parva lente capunt animas*," would be an appropriate ornament to Talping-shan and at the same time fittingly perpetuate an exhibition of drivelling Idiocy that is remarkable even in this home of abject flunkeyism. If after all some happy possessor of the Marlborough House dress and facings has been quietly playing on the weakness of our editorial colleague for an express purpose—well to him we give the free suggestion that after he has donned his tatty costume and aired himself sufficiently, he turns right-about to study for a time that expressive and instructive story of the masquerading jackass who played the goat in the lion's skin.

TELEGRAMS.

THE SILVER QUESTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, January 29th. Owing to political questions influencing the Republican Members of the House, it is believed that the prospects for favourable legislation as regards Silver are declining.

(From Straits Paper).

THE FREE COINAGE BILL.

LONDON, January 29th. At a mass meeting held at Boston it was resolved that the coinage Bill should not be accepted, and that an appeal be made to President Harrison to veto the Bill if it passes.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Portuguese gunboat *Dou* was expected at Singapore on the 22nd inst., from Lisbon en route to Macao.

It is said that a deacon once addressed a new pastor thus:—"The Lord keep you humble; I will keep you poor."

A PENNSYLVANIAN has invented a steam trampoline that can be heard six miles. For less offences than this men have been outlawed.

A FOOTBALL match, The Club v. Mr. Dundas' Eleven, will be played under Association Rules on the Race-course on Monday, and the proximo. Play will commence at 5 p.m. sharp.

WITHOUT Strong Competition.—Miss Beaconsfield: "I wonder what the philosophical reason is that men who mind their own business generally succeed." Jack Matthews: "Perhaps because there is so little competition in that line."

ST. PETER'S SKAMER'S CHURCH.—The Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call on the vessel *hostine* code pennant C between 9 and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30.

"No, I never carry my watch when I go out," she said, anxiously. "I am so careless that it wouldn't be safe. Why, a person could steal anything right from under my nose and I wouldn't miss it." Then the young man stole a kiss right from under her nose, and she didn't seem to miss it.

A SIX-YEAR-OLD boy wrote his first composition on water: "Water is good to drink, to bathe in, and skate on. When I was a baby, the nurse used to bathe me every morning in water. I have been told that the Indians don't wash themselves once in ten years. I wish I was an Indian!"

TELEGRAPHIC information has been received in Tokio to the effect that Mr. Tateno Goro, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Washington, who started from Japan on the 16th ultimo for his post, was received in audience by the President of the United States of America on the 17th inst.

THE *Wanderer* left Singapore for Colombo on the 22nd inst. on her voyage home to pay off. She is to be succeeded on the China Station by H.M.S. *Archer*, transferred from the Cape, the latter to be succeeded there by the *Mohawk* which goes to take the place of the unfortunate *crusier*, *Serpent*, lost on the Spanish coast. The three last mentioned vessels are all sister-ships.

FOUR of the fastest sprinters in the United States recently took part in a foot race, heat two in three heats, at Twickenham Park for a purse offered by J. S. Barnes, manager of the Spoken baseball team. The contestants were E. D. Skinner, C. F. Weisbrenner (alias C. F. Gibson), John Flynn, and Jack Gibson, better known as "English" Gibson. E. D. Skinner and C. F. Gibson ran the first heat, Skinner won in 9 seconds. John Flynn and Jack Gibson ran the second, Gibson winning in 9 seconds. The winners of the two heats contested the deciding heat on account of the lateness of the hour until the following Sunday. Particulars of the final heat are not yet to hand.

At the Regular Convocation of United Chapter, 1,341, E.C., held on the 30th inst., the following Companions were elected as office bearers for the ensuing year:—

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| D. of C. | W. Bidgood |
| Steward | S. T. Moore |
| Janitor | J. Maxwell |

A PERSON named Chapman has started to deliver a course of lectures throughout Australia on some hazy object of fact or animal which threatens to undermine what he calls the "Protestant Succession" to the British throne. The old Orange fanatic can never understand the fact that the world has moved on a little since the days of Derry. There will be no British throne at all soon, and no "succession," and as the only duty of a sovereign is to draw an enormous screw and hunt up pensions for her sisters, and her cousins, and her uncles, it doesn't matter whether she is Protestant or a Mohammedan, or a cow-and-cat warshipper, or an individual who attends the tabernacle. The matter isn't of the slightest importance, anyway.

THE Austrian Government has been experimenting with the new smokeless powder in some military manoeuvres in Hungary, and feels bad over the result. One army was hidden among some woods on the side of a hill, while the other was supposed to be attacking the position. The stationary force pounded away for four hours without once giving the enemy a chance to discover its position. The pale-grey uniforms were completely lost among the trees and scrub; the flashes were so slight that they were invisible to ordinary range; and as for the reports they were mixed and multiplied by the echoes till they seemed to be everywhere, and nowhere in particular. The British soldier in his glaring, blood-red coat will have a cheerful and refreshing time in the next campaign. He is the most conspicuous fighting man in the world, and unless he takes off his clothes and goes into battle with nothing on but his gun and his boots he is bound to be exterminated. But when two such armies as the Austrians and Germans meet, the one which hides itself most effectively will win, and if both hide equally well then the one which sneers first and thereby betrays its situation must go under.

IN Abyssinia, Mr. Mansfield Parkyns tells us on the night before a wedding festivities take place both at the house of the bridegroom and at the house of the bride, during which the "debauch" or war dance, is from time to time performed.

On the wedding-day the bridegroom and his friends go to the bride's house, all riding on mules, armed with guns, swords, and lances, and dressed in fine clothes—clothes, arms, and mules being often lent by some great man for the occasion. "When arrived near the bride's house the nearest convenient plain is selected, and the horsemen commence galloping about, the gunners fire off their matchlocks, and the lancers dash here and there, enacting altogether a sort of sham fight. This, I suppose (says Mr. Parkyns) is done to direct the bridegroom's mind." On entering the house the bridegroom's friends and the bride's range themselves on opposite sides of it. The man expresses his willingness to marry the girl; the arrangements with the father are concluded; and then "the bridegroom takes his bride, and *sans déshonneur* turns her out giving her into the charge of his friends outside the door." He returns to join in the "debauch" or war-dance, in which both parties engage. "This dance is performed by men armed with shields and lances, who with bounds, leaps, and springs attack others armed with guns, so as to approach them, and at the same time avoid their fire, while the gunners make similar demonstrations, and at last fire off their guns, either in the air or into earth, and then, drawing it, swords, flourish them about as a finish." By-and-by the bride is carried off on a mule, with one of the bridesmaids seated behind her. She appears to be treated on the wedding night by the bridegroom and his bridegroom as a woman who had fallen into the hands of a war party might have been.

WE hear that Mr. A. Chut manager of the Formosa Trading Corporation, lessee of the K-lung coal mines and agent for the steamers *Smith* and *Cox* sails for Tamsui by the *Smith* (Capt. Leffer) to-morrow morning where he will, it is said, inspect the mines prior to returning to this Colony.

At the Police Court this morning Lieut. Donohue, R.A., charged his cook, a Chinaman, for embezzling about \$30 during the present month. "The cook received various sums of money during the month to buy 'chow,' but he pocketed the money and got his master's provisions 'on strap.' Of course the commander presented his bill and the cook was booked. Mr. Donohue remanded the case, allowing the cook his liberty in two sureties of \$100 each.

WE made mention in last night's issue of a cowardly assault that had been committed upon a Sikh policeman a few nights ago on the Kennedy Road, by a soldier, and this morning Private Archibald Wilson was charged in connection with the affair. The constable picked him out from amongst 207 of his comrades, but he stoutly denied the charge. Mr. de Bovis, who witnessed the assault, could not swear the defendant was the "wanted," and said he thought the latter had fair whippers (7), few soldiers have such and the defendant was not one of the few. The case was remanded.

THE cry is still there come. Another company, which has been fathered and fostered by Messrs. Holmes and Roddy, solicitors of this colony, has just been registered under the style of "The Southern Times Printing and Publishing Company, Ltd." with a capital of *Taiels* 15,000, fully subscribed, with the object of starting a new native paper in Canton. The capital is mainly foreign, and was readily found. The *Kuang Pao* which is the only paper at present published in the vernacular in the City of Rums is absolutely under the thumb of the Mandarins, and its policy is of course shaped to suit the official palate. The new paper will be to bear the title of *Ling Nam Yat Pao*, which we understand, be quite independent and for this reason should have a highly prosperous career before it. The first issue is to appear on the 2nd proximo and we heartily wish our celestial contemporary fair weather and every success.

MÓ LO YUNG, the man reported yesterday as having poisoned himself when under arrest at Macao in connection with *Namas* piracy affair, is no less an individual than the 'speculator' who planned both the *Greyhound* (so it is said) and, at any rate, the *Namas* outrages. He boiled from Macao recently, where he was ostensibly carrying on the business of a merchant, and finding the Chinese were on his track he put back to his quarters in the Holy City with the result that the Portuguese arrested him with the intention of sending him on to Canton to prey over the business with the lairds of the Pottery-Yard. Rather than do that this dangerous criminal swallowed poison and thereby ended a no doubt eventful career by cheating the Viceroys' executioners; who by the way, were quickly making preparations for his reception when the news reached him that the modern All Baba's confidence man, *inter alia* an ex-detective, had quietly "departed this life" some hours previously.

SUNDAY bones and other remains were discovered lately on the Canterbury Plains (N.Z.), and a local official spreads himself on the subject thus:—The spot where the discovery was made is lonely, desolate, and exceedingly dreary—just the place which seems fitted to be the scene of a tragedy. The road winds round the edge of a patch of dark woodland, and on the other side is a stretch of swampy ground, while in neither direction is a single habitation visible. Between the fence and the swamp, hidden among the long grass and scrub, the remains were found, &c. In connection with this the *Bulletin* lets off its gun thusly:—There is a certain amount of descriptive power in these lines, but still the place does not fill the bill, and a dead body possessed of reasonable discrimination ought always to harmonize as much as possible with its surroundings. Any common, ordinary corpse might be satisfied to be found on the edge of a swamp, but one that has an eye to dramatic effect would be discovered in a cave on a murky night, when the rain is falling with a sudden, squally sound among the dead leaves, and the foot-prints would be accompanied, if possible, by the sound of a raven in the distance, or the voice of a ghost should be heard in the distance, and there should be a clanking of chains, and a loud shriek, and a strange rushing sound in the air, accompanied by groans. Furthermore, the spectres of the deceased's ancestors should gibber among the tree trunks, unless otherwise engaged, or detained by unforeseen circumstances, or hindered by the weather, or incapacitated by a cold shower—if one can be procured—should pervade the atmosphere. And these things having been duly provided, we would lay on a dull, sickening thud of some kind—even if the thud is an outside circumstance with no possible bearing on the case, it doesn't matter and we would have a dismal morose in the background with a slay replete attached, and then the tragedy would be about complete. The massed victims who lie found under such conditions as these, and the ordinary newspaper victim who is discovered in a bald, unglittering way with no surroundings worth speaking of are two entirely distinct victims; and even a penny paper should be able to appreciate the difference.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice.)

JANUARY 31st.

SAUNDERS v. SHEPHERD.

The hearing of this case was resumed to-day. Mr. Robinson, instructed by Mr. Wilkinson, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Leach, instructed by Mr. Gedge (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master's office) appeared for the defendant. The jurors were Messrs. J. Calbraith, R. Martes, J. P. Keene, F. M. de Lus and A. Mol.

The plaintiff, Eva Saunders, seeks to recover certain furniture in the house No. 44, Lyndhurst Terrace, taken possession of by the defendant as Official Administrator of the estate of the late A. G. Apar.

Mr. Robinson having summed up, his Lordship briefly went through the evidence, and the jury retired to consider their verdict.

After an absence of twenty minutes the jury returned, and the foreman said they were in favour of a verdict for plaintiff, by 4 to 1.

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HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

"THE GONDOLIERS."

The Society will give their FIVE PERFORMANCES OF THIS OPERA on the following dates, commencing each evening, at 8 p.m. precisely. THIS EVENING, 31st January. MONDAY, 2nd February. SATURDAY, 7th February. MONDAY, 9th February. SATURDAY, 14th February.

Dress open 8.30 p.m. Performance 9 p.m. precisely.

The audience are urgently requested to be in their seats at 9 p.m. punctually.

Tickets to the First Performance \$3 each, to the other four \$2 each. Seven Tickets for all Five Performances \$9 each.

Tickets for any of the Five Performances can be booked at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, on Monday, 26th instant, at 11 o'clock a.m.

N.B.—Books of the Words of the Opera may be had of Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Price, 10 Cents.

Special Care will be given as follows:—

Saturday, 31st Jan. 8.10 p.m. to 8.45 p.m. DOWN.

7th Feb. 8.10 p.m. to 8.45 p.m. UP.

14th Feb. 10 minutes after the performance of the Gondoliers.

ROBERT LYALL, Hon. Secretary.

Telephone, 31st January, 1891. [115]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE."

Captain Brown will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 31st February, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1891. [124]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"AMOY."

Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 2nd February, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1891. [121]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMO." Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 3rd February, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIR & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1891. [125]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/5 L. I. American Ship

"IMPERIAL."

Crosby, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1891. [123]

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

1.—HALF A MILLION STERLING per annum, is being paid in Death claims year by year.

2.—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to upwards of Seven Million pounds Sterling and have increased 50 per cent. in the last year.

3.—THE LIVES who die are annually replaced by more than double the number of new carefully selected lives.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

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GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [166]

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 14th November, 1890. [1567]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1891. [127]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. \$133,333-33.

EQUAL TO.....\$318,000-00.

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000-00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SENG, Esq., LO YUK MOON, Esq., LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 5 & 6, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1890. [1280]

MAILS.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 3rd February, at 1 P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco.....\$225.00

To San Francisco and return, 393-75

available for 6 months.....

To Liverpool.....325.00

To London.....325.00

To other European Ports at proportionate rates.

Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 10th January 1891. [12]

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, SUEZ, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSTAN, GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship

"GANGES," Captain T. J. Alderton, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for LONDON, via BOMBAY AND SUEZ CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 31st February, at Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 P.M., on the day before sailing.

Silk and Valuable Goods for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

Tea will be sent either via Bombay or Colombo, according to arrangement.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for Marseilles.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 26th January, 1891. [19]

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via YOKOHAMA on SATURDAY, the 14th Feb., at 1 P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's direct connecting Steamers.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. on Sunday; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

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C. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1891. [1280]

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO. ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS.

YAU-MAT-TEI ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON.

OFFICE—No. 12, D'ARCADE STREET, Hongkong, 25th August, 1890. [130]

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MAILS.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1891.

(Subject to Alteration).

BATAVIA.....THURSDAY...1 Feb. 4th.

THE Steamship

"BATAVIA,"

sailing at Noon, on THURSDAY, the 5th Feb., 1891, will proceed to VANCOUVER, via INLAND SEA, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

To Vancouver and Victoria.....\$310.00

To Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma.....\$315.00

To Portland, Oregon.....\$320.00

To Winnipeg, Minneapolis, St. Paul.....\$325.00

To Chicago, Kansas City, Milwaukee.....\$330.00

To St. Louis, Detroit, Cincinnati.....\$335.00

To Hamilton, Kingston, London (Ont.).....\$340.00

Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, New York, Albany, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington.....\$290.00

To Quebec, Boston, Portland (Maine).....\$295.00

To Halifax, St. John's.....\$305.00

To Liverpool.....\$315.00

To London, via Liverpool.....\$320.00

To Paris and Bremen.....\$325.00

To Havre and Hamburg.....\$330.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials.

Return Tickets.—First and second class only. Prepaid return tickets to Pacific Coast Ports, and to Eastern and Interior Points of Canada and U.S.A. will be granted, available for 6 months at 25 per cent. off Return Fare. 50 per cent. off.

(Time is reckoned from the date of landing to date of re-embarkation at Vancouver.)

Passengers to Pacific Coast Ports and to Interior and Eastern Points of Canada and U.S.A. not holding prepaid return tickets but who re-embark within 12 months from date of landing at Vancouver will be allowed 10 per cent. off the return fare.

Prepaid return tickets to European points will be issued available for 12 months at double fares (Mexican Dollars).

CARGO.—Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of D. E. BROWN, Assistant General Freight and Passenger Agent, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Vancouver, B. C.

Parcels must be sent to our Office with address marked in full by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January 1891. [12]

NOTICE.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

ALSO, LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 15th day of February, 1891, at 11 A.M. the Company's Steamship "BAYERN," Captain J. Mergel, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at Genoa.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on Board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 14th February. (Parcels are not to be sent on Board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to WILCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th January 1891. [12]

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YAU-MAT-TEI ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON.

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